

**OFFICIAL FILE**  
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**ORIGINAL**

**Certifications from Newspapers in General Circulation in the  
United Cities Gas Company Illinois Service Area**

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Girard Gazette

Kinmundy Express

Lincoln Courier

Metropolis Planet

Panhandle Press

Salem Times-Commoner

Vandalia Leader-Union

Virden Recorder

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CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

State of Illinois )  
County of Clinton ) SS.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the notice of which  
a printed copy is hereto annexed, was published

2 consecutive times in THE CARLYLE  
UNION BANNER, a newspaper of general circulation,  
published in the City of Carlyle, in said County and  
State, by the Dempsey Publishing Co., and that the  
first insertion was made in the paper published on the

21st day of February A.D. 2001,

and the last in the paper published on the 28th

day of February A.D. 192001, and said  
newspaper was regularly published for six months  
prior to date of first publication of said notice.

Printer's Fees \$ 16.80

CARLYLE UNION BANNER

By Jane Beckmann

Carlyle, Ill., March 5 A.D. 2001

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Notice of Proposed Changes**  
**in Schedules**

To: Patrons of United Cities Gas  
Company

United Cities Gas Company, a Di-  
vision of Atmos Energy Corporation,  
hereby gives notice to the public that  
it has filed with the Illinois Commerce  
Commission proposed changes in  
its rates for natural gas service in  
conformance with a settlement  
reached between the Company and  
the Illinois Commerce Commission  
Staff and approved by the Commis-  
sion Order in Docket No. 00-0228.  
The proposed change reflects an over-  
all increase in revenues of 2.95% to  
be effective April 2, 2001.

A copy of the proposed schedules  
may be inspected by any interested  
party at any Illinois business office of  
the Company.

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Public Notice  
Changes in Schedules

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**CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION**

#5265  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
Notice of Proposed  
Changes in Schedules  
To: Patrons of United Cities  
Gas Company  
United Cities Gas Com-  
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Energy Corporation, hereby  
gives notice to the public  
that it has filed with the Illi-  
nois Commerce Commis-  
sion proposed changes in  
its rates for natural gas  
service in conformance with  
a settlement reached be-  
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an overall increase in reve-  
nues of 2.95% to be effec-  
tive April 2, 2001.

A copy of the proposed  
schedules may be in-  
spected by any interested  
party at any Illinois busi-  
ness office of the

United Cities Gas Co  
1810 Crescent Centre Drive, Suite 600  
Franklin TN 37067-6226

ISHING, a Corporation, organized and existing pursuant to the laws of the State of  
at it is the PUBLISHER of THE DAILY REGISTER; that said DAILY REGISTER is a  
of general circulation in said county, printed and published daily (except Sunday and  
age, in the City of Harrisburg in said County of Saline and State of Illinois, and is a  
ster 100, Section 5, Illinois Revised Statutes.

the said DAILY REGISTER has been regularly printed and published in said  
of Saline and State of Illinois for at least six months prior to the date of the first  
ereinafter mentioned.

a notice, of which the annexed notice is a true printed copy, has been regularly

r 2 times, once in each week for 2 successive

thereof having been made in the issue of said newspaper published on

23, 2001, and the last publication thereof having been made in

published on February 26, 2001.

In Witness Whereof, the said DAILY REGISTER, publisher aforesaid, has caused its name to be hereunto  
signed on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2001.

Publication Fee \$ 27<sup>00</sup>

The Daily Register

By [Signature]  
Publisher

CERTIFICATE NO. 5265

(Annex Copy of Published Notice)

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

### **Notice of Proposed Changes in Schedules**

To: Patrons of United Cities Gas Company

United Cities Gas Company, a Division of Atmos Energy Corporation, hereby gives notice to the public that it has filed with the Illinois Commerce Commission proposed changes in its rates for natural gas service in conformance with a settlement reached between the Company and the Illinois Commerce Commission Staff and approved by the Commission Order in Docket No. 00-0228. The proposed change reflects an overall increase in revenues of 2.95% to be effective April 2, 2001.

A copy of the proposed schedules may be inspected by any interested party at any Illinois business office of the Company.

STATE OF ILLINOIS }  
COUNTY OF FAYETTE } ss.

In the \_\_\_\_\_ Court  
of Fayette County.

IN THE MATTER OF

**UNITED CITIES GAS COMPANY**

vs.

### **NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES IN SCHEDULES**

This is to certify, that the notice, a true copy of which is hereto annexed, was published in The Farina News, a secular weekly newspaper of general circulation, printed and published weekly in the Village of Farina, County of Fayette and State of Illinois, by Shirley Ann Quick, Publisher, two times for two successive weeks; that the date of the first publication was the **22nd day of February, 2001**; and the last on the **1st day of March, 2001**.

And I further certify that said newspaper, The Farina News, has been continuously published weekly as a newspaper of general circulation for a period of more than one year prior to and immediately preceding said date of first publication of said notice.

In witness whereof, Shirley Ann Quick, Publisher of said Farina News, has signed this certificate this **15th day of March, 2001**, and that it is a newspaper as defined in "an Act to revise the law in relation to notices" as found in Chapter 715 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes, effective January 1, 1993, and cited as "715 ILCS 5/1 and 5/5".

Printer's Fee: \$36.00

*Shirley Ann Quick*  
Publisher of The Farina News

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**Notice of Proposed Changes in Schedules**  
TO: Patrons of United Cities Gas Company  
United Cities Gas Company, a Division of Atmos Energy Corporation, hereby gives notice to the public that it has filed with the Illinois Commerce Commission proposed changes in its rates for natural gas service in conformance with a settlement reached between the Company and the Illinois Commerce Commission Staff and approved by the Commission Order in Docket No. 00-0228. The proposed change reflects an overall increase in revenues of 2.95% to be effective April 2, 2001.

A copy of the proposed schedules may be inspected by any interested party at any Illinois business office of the Company.

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## CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

The publishers of THE GIRARD GAZETTE, a secular newspaper of general circulation, printed and published weekly in Macoupin County, Illinois, do hereby certify that the annexed notice of

proposed changes  
was published in said newspaper once each week for two weeks in succession, commencing on Feb. 28 A.D. 20 01 and in each succeeding issue, including the issue of March 7, A.D. 20 01.

I further certify that said newspaper has been continuously published for more than one year prior to the first publication mentioned above, and that THE GIRARD GAZETTE is a newspaper as defined in 'an Act to revise the law in relation to notices' as amended by Act approved July 17, 1959 - Illinois Revised Statutes, Chapter 100, Para. 1 & 5.

Dorothy Jones, Publisher

Publication fees \$ 68.<sup>00</sup>

Received payment                     , 20

# CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

State of Illinois,  
County of Marion, } ss.  
City of Kinmundy }

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The undersigned does hereby certify that he is the publisher or the authorized agent of the publisher of THE KINMUNDY EXPRESS; that said newspaper is a weekly secular newspaper of general circulation which has been published in the City of Kinmundy, in Marion County, State of Illinois, continuously for a period of more than one year prior to the first date of the publication attached hereto. He further certifies that said newspaper is "a newspaper" as defined in "an Act to revise the law in relation to notices" as amended by Act approved July 17, 1959—Ill. Revised Statutes, Chap. 100, Paragraphs 1 and 5. He further certifies that the attached notice was published in said newspaper once each week for 1 successive weeks, the first publication being in the paper published on the 22 day of February, 2001, and the last publication being in the paper published on the 22 day of February, 2001.

Publication Fee \$ 7.50

*Rudolph D. Dean*  
(Publisher) (Authorized Agent of Publisher)

Received Publication Fee of \$  
this day of 19

THE KINMUNDY EXPRESS

By

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Proposed Changes in  
Schedules

To: Patrons of United Cities  
Gas Company

United Cities Gas Company, a Division of Atmos Energy Corporation, hereby gives notice to the public that it has filed with the Illinois Commerce Commission proposed changes in its rates for natural gas service in conformance with a settlement reached between the Company and the Illinois Commerce Commission Staff and approved by the Commission Order in Docket No. 00-0228. The proposed change reflects an overall increase in revenues of 2.95% to be effective April 2, 2001.

A copy of the proposed schedules may be inspected by any interested party at any Illinois business office of the Company.

Certificate of Publication in THE LINCOLN COURIER by The Copley Press, Inc.

STATE OF ILLINOIS      SS.  
COUNTY OF LOGAN

THE COPLEY PRESS, INC., DOES HEREBY CERTIFY:

That it is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois;

That it is the publisher of The Lincoln Courier, a secular daily newspaper printed and published in the City of Lincoln, in Logan County, Illinois, and of general circulation in said City, County and State; and that it is a newspaper as defined in "An Act to Revise the Law in Relation to Notice" - Ill. Revised Statutes, Chap. 100, Sections 1, 5, and 10.

That a notice of which the annexed is a true copy has been regularly published in said newspaper two times 1 each week for two successive weeks; that the first publication of said notice was on the 23 day of Feb., 2001, and the last publication thereof was on the 2 day of Mar., 2001.  
That the face of type in which each publication of said notice was printed was the same as the body of type used in the classified advertising in the newspaper in which said publication was made;

That said The Lincoln Courier has been regularly published in said, City, County and State for at least one year prior to the first publication of said notice.

In WITNESS WHEREOF, said The Copley Press, Inc., publisher as aforesaid, has executed this Certificate of Publication by its Officer or agent thereinto duly authorized this 2 day of Mar., 2001.

THE COPLEY PRESS, INC.

By.....

Printer's Fee \$ 40.74 Paid.....19.....

No. 0750404IF Folio.....

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Notice of Proposed  
Changes  
in Schedules**

To: Patrons of United Cities  
Gas Company

United Cities Gas Company, a Division of Atmos Energy Corporation, hereby gives notice to the public that it has filed with the Illinois Commerce Commission proposed changes in its rates for natural gas service in conformance with a settlement reached between the Company and the Illinois Commerce Commission Staff and approved by the Commission Order in Docket No. 00-0228. The proposed change reflects an overall increase in revenues of 2.95% to be effective April 2, 2001.

A copy of the proposed schedules may be inspected by any interested party at any Illinois business office of the Company.  
0004IF Feb. 23, Mar. 2, 2001

## CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

THE METROPOLIS PLANET  
METROPOLIS, ILLINOISCOUNTY OF MASSAC  
STATE OF ILLINOIS

Paxton Media Group, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois, does hereby certify that it is the publisher of The Metropolis Planet, a weekly secular newspaper of general circulation; that said newspaper is being published and has been published in the City of Metropolis, County of Massac, and State of Illinois, for more than one year prior to the date of the first insertion of the notice annexed hereto; that said annexed notice was published in said newspaper in each and every copy and impression thereof 2 consecutive weeks commencing on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2001, and ending on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2001 which are the dates of the first and last papers containing said notice.

I further certify that said newspaper is a newspaper as defined in "an Act to revise the law in relation to notices" as amended by Act approved July 17, 1959 — Illinois Revised Statutes, Chap. 100, Para. 1 & 5.

Given under my hand this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2001.

PAXTON MEDIA GROUP, INC.

By Quicia G. Dowey  
Authorized Agent

Received \_\_\_\_\_  
which is payment in full for above legal advertisement.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Notice of Proposed  
Changes in Schedules  
To: Patrons of United  
Cities Gas Company  
United Cities Gas  
Company, a Division of  
Atmos Energy Corpora-  
tion, hereby gives no-  
tice to the public that it  
has filed with the Illinois  
Commerce Commis-  
sion proposed changes  
in its rates for natural  
gas service in conform-  
ance with a settlement  
reached between the  
Company and the Illi-  
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mission Staff and ap-  
proved by the Commis-  
sion, Order in Docket  
No. 00-0228. The pro-  
posed change reflects  
an overall increase in  
revenues of 2.95% to  
be effective April 2,  
2001.

A copy of the pro-  
posed schedules may  
be inspected by any in-  
terested party at any Il-  
linois business office of  
the Company.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**Notice of Proposed Changes in Schedules**  
TO: Patrons of United Cities Gas Company  
United Cities Gas Company, a Division of Atmos Energy Corporation, hereby gives notice to the public that it has filed with the Illinois Commerce Commission proposed changes in its rates for natural gas service in conformance with a settlement reached between the Company and the Illinois Commerce Commission Staff and approved by the Commission Order in Docket No. 00-0228. The proposed change reflects an overall increase in revenues of 2.95% to be effective April 2, 2001.

A copy of the proposed schedules may be inspected by any interested party at any Illinois business office of the Company.

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## CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

The publishers of THE PANHANDLE PRESS, a secular newspaper of general circulation, printed and published weekly in Montgomery County, Illinois, do hereby certify that the annexed notice of

proposed changes  
was published in said newspaper once each week for two weeks in succession, commencing on Feb. 28 A.D. 20 01 and in each succeeding issue, including the issue of March 7, A.D. 20 01.

I further certify that said newspaper has been continuously published for more than one year prior to the first publication mentioned above, and that THE PANHANDLE PRESS is a newspaper as defined in 'an Act to revise the law in relation to notices' as amended by Act approved July 17, 1959 - Illinois Revised Statutes, Chapter 100, Para. 1 & 5.

Dorothy Jones, Publisher

Publication fees \$ 68.00

Received payment \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

SALEM, ILLINOIS  
Feb. 23, 20 01

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Notice of Proposed  
Changes in Schedules  
To: Patrons of United Cit-  
ies Gas Company

United Cities Gas Com-  
pany, a Division of Atmos-  
Energy Corporation, here-  
by gives notice to the pub-  
lic that it has filed with the  
Illinois Commerce Com-  
mission proposed changes  
in its rates for natural gas  
service in conformance  
with a settlement reached  
between the Company and  
the Illinois Commerce  
Commission Staff and ap-  
proved by the Commission  
Order in Docket No. 00-  
0228. The proposed  
change reflects an overall  
increase in revenues of  
2.95% to be effective April  
2, 2001.

A copy of the proposed  
schedules may be inspect-  
ed by any interested party  
at any Illinois business of-  
fice of the Company.

February 23, 26

The undersigned does hereby certify that  
he is the publisher, or the authorized agent  
of the publisher, of The **SALEM TIMES-  
COMMONER**; that said newspaper is pub-  
lished three times a week and is a secular  
newspaper of general circulation which has  
been published in the City of Salem, in Marion  
County, State of Illinois, continuously for a  
period of more than one year prior to the  
first date of the publication attached hereto.  
He further certifies that said newspaper is "a  
newspaper" as defined in "an Act to revise  
the law in relation to notices" as amended by  
Act approved July 17, 1959 - Ill. Revised  
Statutes, Chap. 100, Paragraphs 1 and 5. He  
further certifies that the attached notice was  
published in said newspaper once each

week for 2 successive weeks,  
the first publication being in the paper  
published on the 23rd day  
of Feb., 20 01, and the last  
publication being in the paper published  
on the 26th day of

Feb., 20 01.

Publication Fee \$ 24.00

M. Agnew M. AGNEW  
(Authorized Agent of Publisher)

Received publication fee of \_\_\_\_\_

this \_\_\_\_\_

day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_.

**SALEM TIMES-COMMONER**

By \_\_\_\_\_

## Certificate of Publication

STATE OF ILLINOIS, FAYETTE COUNTY, SS.

Vandalia, Illinois

February 23, 2001

I, LaTisha L. Paslay do certify that I am the authorized agent of the Vandalia Leader-Union, a secular newspaper of general circulation published semi-weekly in the City of Vandalia and State of Illinois and that I am authorized to make this certificate for the said newspaper, that the notice or advertisement of

United Cities Gas Company

relating to the matter of

Notice of Proposed Change in Schedules

a true copy of which is hereto annexed, has been printed and published in the said Vandalia Leader-Union as follows:

the first on the 23rd day of February, 2001;

the second on the 2nd day of March 2001;

the third on the day of 20 ;

and that the said newspaper was regularly published for a period of one year prior to the date of the first publication of this notice.

I further certify that the face of the type in which each publication of the said notice was made was the same as the body type used in the classified advertising in the issue of the said newspaper in which such publication was made.

I further certify that said newspaper is a newspaper as defined in "An Act to revise the law in relation to notices" as amended by Act approved July 17, 1959--- sections 1 and 5 of Chapter 100 of the Illinois Revised Statutes.

**The Vandalia Leader-Union**

*LaTisha L. Paslay*  
as agent of The Vandalia Leader-Union.

First Publication Feb. 23, 2001  
**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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in Schedules**

To: Patrons of United Cities Gas  
Company

United Cities Gas Company, a Division of Atmos Energy Corporation, hereby gives notice to the public that it has filed with the Illinois Commerce Commission proposed changes in its rates for natural gas service in conformance with a settlement reached between the Company and the Illinois Commerce Commission Staff and approved by the Commission Order in Docket No. 00-0228. The proposed change reflects an overall increase in revenues of 2.95% to be effective April 2, 2001.

A copy of the proposed schedules may be inspected by any interested party at any Illinois Business Office of the Company.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### Notice of Proposed Changes in Schedules

TO: Patrons of United  
Cities Gas Company

United Cities Gas Company, a Division of Atmos Energy Corporation, hereby gives notice to the public that is has filed with the Illinois Commerce Commission proposed changes in its rates for natural gas service in conformance with a settlement reached between the Company and the Illinois Commerce Commission Staff and approved by the Commission Order in Docket No. 00-0228. The proposed change reflects an overall increase in revenues of 2.95% to be effective April 2, 2001.

A copy of the proposed schedules may be inspected by any interested party at any Illinois business office of the Company.

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## CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

The publishers of THE VIRDEN RECORDER, a secular newspaper of general circulation, printed and published weekly in Macoupin County, Illinois, do hereby certify that the annexed notice of

proposed changes  
was published in said newspaper once each week for two weeks in succession, commencing on Feb. 28 A.D. 2001 and in each succeeding issue, including the issue of March 7, A.D. 2001.

I further certify that said newspaper has been continuously published for more than one year prior to the first publication mentioned above, and that THE VIRDEN RECORDER is a newspaper as defined in 'an Act to revise the law in relation to notices' as amended by Act approved July 17, 1959 - Illinois Revised Statutes, Chapter 100, Para. 1 & 5.

Dorothy Jones

Publisher

Publication fees \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 68.<sup>00</sup>

Received payment \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_